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From the fact that smallpox prevailed in so many localities last winter I am of the opinion that there will be a recurrence of the disease in or near those localities this winter. However, as vaccination has been more general during the past year, and as the authorities are more familiar with the disease and the methods for its suppression, I anticipate that there will be fewer outbreaks, and that they will be more quickly suppressed than last year.

I will continue to keep the State under observation, with other places in the South, and will report should occasion demand it.

*Yellow fever in Key West, Fla., and other places.*

[Continued from last PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.]

FLORIDA.

*Key West.*—Official reports are as follows: October 26, 5 cases, 2 deaths; October 27, 2 cases, no deaths; October 28, 2 cases, 1 death; October 29, 2 cases; October 30, 2 cases, 1 death; October 31, 2 cases; November 1, 1 case; November 2, 3 cases.

*Miami.*—October 25, 1 case, no deaths; October 26, 5 cases; October 27, 7 cases; October 25, Steward Peck is ordered to report to Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimpson at Miami for duty; October 28, P. A. Surg. T. B. Perry ordered to Titusville, Fla., to act as purchasing agent for the detention camp under command of Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimpson; October 30, Assistant Surgeon von Ezdorf reports 7 cases, no deaths, yesterday; camp at Fulford will be opened Thursday; to day, 5 cases, 2 deaths. October 31, 2 cases, no deaths; Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimpson reports that 40 guests will go to the detention camp tomorrow. November 1, 8 cases. November 2, Passed Assistant Surgeon Perry reports his arrival at Titusville, Fla.; 2 new cases of fever.

*Port Tampa.*—November 1, Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, "By order of the State board of health quarantine season closes to-day, except against Key West and Miami.

*Tortugas—Detention Camp.*—October 30, Passed Assistant Surgeon Smith reports as follows: "All refugees released to-day, except 2 who are employees of the camp."

LOUISIANA.

*New Orleans.*—October 27, 2 cases, weather continues warm; October 28, 1 case, 1 death; October 29, 4 cases, 1 death.

October 30, weather reports indicate light frost in central Mississippi and northern Louisiana; October 31, 1 new case.

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*Jackson.*—October 31, Surgeon Carter telegraphs as follows: "Mississippi raises quarantine at midnight; also quarantining ports of Louisiana." November 1, Dr. Hunter reports 6 cases and 1 death since last report, October 30.